

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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PROPOSALS UNDER WATERSHED PROGRAMME

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of proposals under Watershed Development Programme from various States are pending for approval by the Union Government; and

(b) if so, the scheme-wise number of pending proposals for each State showing district-wise status for Assam with date of submission, reason for non-sanction and likely time by which these will be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA)

(a) & (b) Under Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (TWDP), project proposals are prioritised for sanction in consultation with the State Governments every year. Pending project proposals which are not sanctioned in a financial year can be considered for sanction during the next financial year, if prioritised by the State Governments. In case of Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and Desert Development Programme (DDP), new projects are sanctioned suo moto to the identified blocks in the country by the Ministry. Therefore, the question of pendency of proposals under Watershed Development Programme from various States, including Assam, does not arise.